

**CLAIMS**

We claim:

1. A device (20) for placing a call in an elevator system, comprising:  
5 a surface (70) that is manually touchable to indicate a desired call; and  
a responder (56) that automatically provides a tactile confirmation of the  
desired call.
2. The device of claim 1, wherein the surface (70) is supported on a moveable  
10 member (52) that is manually moveable to indicate the desired call.
3. The device of claim 2, wherein the responder (56) comprises an automated  
mover (56) that automatically moves the moveable member (52) to provide the tactile  
confirmation.
- 15 4. The device of claim 3, comprising a housing (54) that supports the moveable  
member (52) such that the moveable member is manually moveable relative to the  
housing in at least one direction.
- 20 5. The device of claim 4, wherein the automated mover (56) moves the moveable  
member (52) relative to the housing (54).
6. The device of claim 4, wherein the automated mover (56) moves the moveable  
member (52) in a second direction relative to the housing (54).
- 25 7. The device of claim 3, wherein the automated mover (56) comprises a  
vibrating motor.
8. The device of claim 3, wherein the automated mover (56) moves responsive to  
30 a manual manipulation of the moveable member (52).

9. The device of claim 3, including a controller (68) that determines when the moveable member (52) has been moved and the automated mover (56) moves responsive to the controller.
- 5 10. The device of claim 1, wherein the surface (70) is capacitive and the device provides a call signal responsive to human contact with the surface.
11. The device of claim 1, wherein the surface (70) is supported on a hall call button (26, 28) that is adapted to be placed on a selected surface in a building.
- 10 12. The device of claim 1, wherein the surface (70) is supported on a car operating panel (40) that is adapted to be placed in an elevator car.

13. A method of acknowledging that a call button (26, 28, 44, 46) signal has been received in an elevator system, comprising:

providing a tactile confirmation at the call button (26, 28, 44, 46).

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14. The method of claim 13, including automatically moving a surface (70) that is touched by an individual at least a portion of the call button (26, 28, 44, 46).

15. The method of claim 13, including vibrating at least a portion of the call  
10 button (26, 28, 44, 46).